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NEWS RELEASE

CONFERENCE FOCUSES ON UNIVERSAL HEALTH CARE COVERAGE DURING LAW AND MEDICINE SYMPOSIUM AT UD'S SCHOOL OF LAW

DAYTON, Ohio — Access to health care is a major concern for many Americans.

The widespread problem affects not only individual patients, but also physicians, insurance companies, employers and taxpayers.

The idea of universal health care coverage will be the focus of a symposium from 3 to 5 p.m. on Wednesday, Feb. 2, in the Mathias H. Heck Courtroom of UD's School of Law located in Keller Hall.

The 10th annual Law and Medicine Symposium is sponsored by UD's School of Law, the department of community health at Wright State University's School of Medicine and an endowment by Gregory C. Gibson.

Admission is free, but registration is encouraged. To register, call Christian DeWitt at Wright State University's office of geriatric medicine and gerontology at (937) 775-3392.

The conference, "Moving Toward Universal Health Care Coverage: Legal, Financial, and Political Obstacles and Opportunities," will use a hypothetical case to promote a discussion by a panel of experts as well as audience members.

Speakers will include Lawrence Ulrich, professor of philosophy at UD, and Vernellia Randall, professor of law at UD. Physicians including Richard Schuster, from WSU's department of medicine; John Bloom, medical director of United Health Care's western division; and Michael Ervin, retired founder of Wright Health Associates, will speak. Other panelists will include Gregory Rozelle, executive director of the Visiting Nurses Association, and Pam Morris, chief executive officer of the Dayton Area Health Plan. Marshall Kapp, from WSU's departments of community health and psychiatry, will facilitate the discussion.

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